Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

March 31, 2016 at 6:00pm

Attendees: Rick Amodei, Dave Moreau, Kevin Smith, Holly Mansfield

Mosquito: Sarah Hart

Meeting began at 6:25pm

Minutes:

Rick made the motion to approve the March 10 2016 meeting minutes with the one changed noted under Long-term Recreation Plan. Kevin seconded the motion. All in favor: Yes.

Organic Field Maintenance:

Dave made the motion to extend the Organic Field Maintenance Contract for one year to December 1, 2016. Kevin seconded the motion. All in favor: Yes. Going forward, for budgetary purposes, the contract should coincide with the fiscal year calendar.

Field Maintenance:

After reviewing the new bid for field maintenance, an error was noted on the dates of the new contract. Holly will inform Tim of the error and defer to Tim to correct the contract dates. *Kevin made the motion to approve the contract for J.A. Davis for March 1, 2016 to December 1, 2017. Dave seconded the motion. All in favor: Yes.* Going forward, for budgetary purposes, the contract should coincide with the fiscal year calendar.

Field Lining:

Holly talked with Michael Brophy and Lauree Eckler. Michael Brophy will be here on Monday, April 4th to line the fields. Holly also contacted Margaret Heigl and Margaret has informed us of what she needs in regards to field lining. Lauree Eckler will meet with Michael for training and Lauree is also coordinating with the CCHS student (Austin Pinard) for training.

Field Study:

The football field in Concord has been refurbished but not used on weekends as they are reserved for the CCHS field use. It would be great if other groups had the option to use the field. The fields here in Carlisle need to be refurbished but for financial reasons it is just not feasible at this time. The softball field at Banta Davis does not get used and re-designating this field as a multipurpose field should be considered. Spalding softball field is often too wet and due to sink holes is not useable. The current report states that Carlisle is in need of additional fields, however, the current condition of the fields are inadequate and at times, unsafe.

Rick will report to the Board of Selectman in April and will explain the overall satisfaction with the report. Rick is looking for this report to start a discussion to create a task force to include various members of the community (Recreation, School, Council on Aging, etc.) to prioritize field needs and then present ideas to the Board of Selectman in the future. It is important to state that any improvements to the fields will need financial support from the town.

Outline of Administrative Changes per Town Administrator:

Rick and other town boards met with Tim Goddard and Vanessa Moroney approximately two months ago to discuss some administrative changes in town hall. The Department Heads would continue to report to their boards but the everyday administrative tasks such as payroll will be signed by the TA. We are still waiting for Town Counsel to prepare a motion in regards to this issue. Once the motion is complete, each board will meet to discuss the changes and vote.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.